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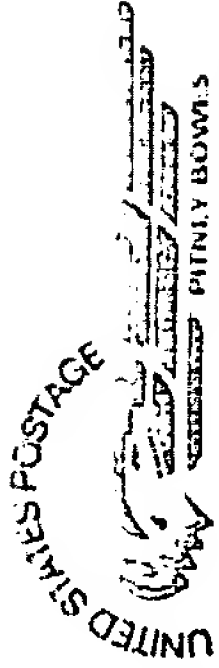
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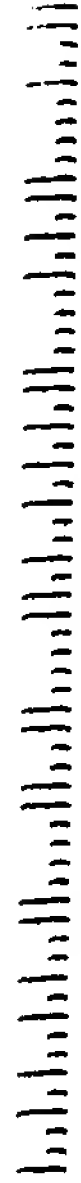
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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Patent No. 6,683,611
Issue Date: January 27, 2004
Application No. 09/483,445
Filed: January 14, 2000
Attorney Docket No. DCLEVE.001A

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.378(c), filed July 14, 2009, to accept the unintentionally delayed payment of a maintenance fee for the above-identified patent.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

This patent expired on January 28, 2008 for failure to pay the first maintenance fee. Since this petition was submitted within twenty-four months after the six-month grace period provided in 37 CFR 1.362(e), the petition was timely filed under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.378(c).

The maintenance fee is hereby accepted and the above-identified patent is reinstated as of the mail date of this decision.

The file does not indicate a change of address has been submitted, although the address given on the petition differs from the address of record. If appropriate, a change of address should be filed in accordance with MPEP 601.03. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the address given on the petition; however, the Office will mail all future correspondence solely to the address of record.

It is noted that petitioner submitted a petition fee of \$400.00 on July 14, 2009, which appears to be unnecessary. Petitioner may request a refund of the fee by writing to the Office of Finance Refund Section. A copy of this decision should accompany the request.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

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